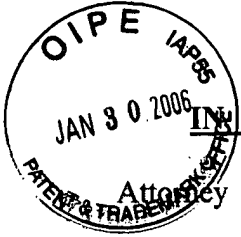


RESPONSE AFTER FINAL
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This in response to the Final Rejection mailed July 7, 2005 in this application. A petition for a three-month extension of time of the period for response is being filed concurrently. This will extend the period to January 27, 2006.

A listing of the claims follows.